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| For:                | Method for automatic determination of optical parameters of a layer stack and computer program |                  |                   |
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**AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

Please amend the above-captioned patent application as follows:

-amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims in section a);

and

Finally, reconsideration is requested in view of the remarks set forth in section b).

A Request for Continued Examination is hereby made. Accordingly, entry of the following amendments and reconsideration are requested in view of the following remarks.